

MUD DESTROYED FORM OF THE HORSES

Favorites Fell in Row on the Soft Fair Grounds Track—Winners Hard to Pick.

LEMUEL RUNS AN UGLY RACE.

The Great Two-Year-Old Mud Runner Was an Also Ran—McCann's Weak Finish on Battus.

With mud knee-deep on the race track at the Fair Grounds yesterday, the horses ran as they pleased. Form cut no figure, the bad going standing as excuse for all sorts of running.

The chief features of the day were the defeat of Lemuel, a noted mud horse, and a hot favorite in the two-year-old event. Lemuel was regarded as the best thing of the day. He failed to show a bit of speed, though his last out saw him beaten a length by such horses as Kalama, Tyle and King Dandy horses, which outclassed the field which beat Lemuel yesterday. Then he ran in a delightful manner, and the betting in one or two books in the ring indicated that that was where he would run.

The finish of Jockey McCann on Battus in the fourth race was a perfect gem. With Maximus barred in the betting, Battus was a legitimate 4 to 5 shot, and was heavily played. Maximus won all right and forty yards out Battus seemed to have the place, which meant first in a betting sense—checked. McCann let go of his head, allowed him to nodle along, looked around to see if Saline was coming and seemed much relieved when the latter horse came up and beat Battus under the wire. Not since the celebrated day when a stable lad rode ally Young the same way has seen a finish like this on the Fair Grounds or anywhere else.

McCann never has been poster with offers to ride for King Edward VII of England, but he is not an incompetent boy. His fearful exhibition on Battus was due, probably, to that tired feeling which sometimes oppresses a jockey. Through this fellow came a rode, and from the numerous overweights posted yesterday, it looked as if there had been some "large doings" about the stables on Wednesday night.

Robert, Jr., handy son of Doctor Hasbrouck, landed the first event from a field of dogs, though taking a lot of the worst of the weights. He showed himself a good horse to run in the mud and was easily won by many lengths. Lemuel was played as if he had the second event won. He was off bad, in bad, out bad, had all the way and across and finished in a very bad time. McCann's ride on Battus, and after that the defeat was due.

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The race run by Larry Will here is worthy of note. He was a good go like a scared ghost in the mud, he anchored yesterday. He will bear attention when the track is better, for he has been McCann's ride on Battus, and after that the defeat was due.

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THE REPUBLIC-FRIDAY, JUNE 7, 1901.

St. Louis Fair Association summer meeting, June 7. Thirty-second day. Judge, P. A. Brady, Starter, William Brown. Weather clear. Track heavy.

973 First race, purse \$400, 2-year-olds and up, seven furlongs:

HORSES										J. Jockeys			Open	Pl.
554	Robert Jr. G.	111	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	P. T. Collier	7.2	7.2	1	
555	Free Bird G.	111	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	W. H. Miller	7.2	7.2	2	
556	Stent Flyer G.	104	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	P. Kuhn	4	13.5	3-4	
557	Lord Austin G.	106	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	E. Hart	10	11.5	3-4	
558	Little Boy G.	104	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	W. H. Miller	7.2	7.2	5	
559	Alvin W. G.	105	8	1	1	1	1	1	1	W. H. Miller	7.2	7.2	6	
560	Eldon Barnes G.	108	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	W. H. Miller	7.2	7.2	7	
561	Prize Tack G.	111	11	1	1	1	1	1	1	W. H. Miller	7.2	7.2	8	
562	Tristan Belle G.	114	11	1	1	1	1	1	1	W. H. Miller	7.2	7.2	9	
563	The Racer G.	114	11	1	1	1	1	1	1	W. H. Miller	7.2	7.2	10	
564	Wile G.	114	9	1	1	1	1	1	1	W. H. Miller	7.2	7.2	11	